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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 3, 7, 8, 11, 17-19.

Part B for June 16

SUBJECT.

*Rules re. recruitment of
wardens on part establishments*

2 The G. of Prisons

1)

*4636 of 26/5-5
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*Approves of the instruction
the matter of fixing a statement of height
and chest measurement for wardens.*

*M. Shorin
25/7/16*

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(Prisons)

NOTES.

File No. 35-4

FILE HEADING.

Rules re recruitment of warders
on jail establishments-

From

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

Routine Notes.

(2)

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1) Sections relating to the punishment of bad character: -

S. 3 of 1810. Bad character may be separately confined in unoccupied solitary cells.

666. Solitary confinement, reduced diet, corporal punishment can be ordered. S. 665 enumerates offences & clause xiii. Seems wide enough to cover cases like the present one.

S. 371. Tools &c given to them require special watching

S. 374. Work suitable to Character Sentence. Should be given.

N.B.—Should routine notes be written on small slips, the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on this form.

Routine Notes.

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S. 565-570.

Double fetters may be
ordered.

S. 608. The Ig seems to have
power under this Section
to transfer prisoners
from one jail to another
and he may be asked
to take action.

2)
Under the Ticket of Leave Rule
a man of bad character will
forfeit all the benefits
(Rules 9-15)

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notes must be copied, or slips pasted on
form.

Routine Notes.

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In the R.C. of Prisoners no 12032
25-11-15

States that if the situation is
is serious and suggests the desirability
of taking action in the manner
indicated & calls for a report.

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From the R.C. of Prisoners no 1918
11-11-15
26th Nov. 1915.

States that two livers have been
confined in fetters & 11-11-15
is no case for a report.

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the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on
this form.

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Routine Notes.

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3) B. V. 111P

The Encl. letter
(Amputated)
after registration
and be sent with
refs to the
Extraordinary
members with a
draft for permanent
records. M

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4) Draft is submitted
for favour of kind approval.

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Member }

5) Draft approved by
the Extraordinary members
29.11.15. M

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M 30/11/15 6) Done alone
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To the D.C. of Prisons no 2070 of 30.11.15.

In view of the report made by the Inspr. of the B.C. Jail stating that it is considered necessary to have more permanent engagements and calls for a report.

From the D.C. of Prisons 1982/111-02 of 9.12.15

Submits a report as called for.

7) The D.C. makes the following recommendations.

8) 1) To replace the Ag. jailor, Mr Narasimiah the Ag. Dy jailor, Mr Surappa, & the Ag Chief Warden, Shama Rao with men better able to enforce discipline. These men, though capable are said to be physically incapable. The present appointments held by them are acting ones, (sanctioned in the vacancy of Mr R. S. Nagarkar, on deputation to Rajpitha State) and their permanent places are, Ag^{Dy} jailor, B.C. jailor, Manager and Head clerk of the D.C.'s office respectively. The first has put in 25 years service, the second ~~is~~ about 29 years & the last 18 years.

9) 2) To retire the inefficient men in the warden establishment and to employ men, like military pensioners, with good training and generally to recruit wardens from the same.

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class of men.

10) Proposals have been received for retiring the undesirable and are separately under consideration. If the wardens are of a stalwart type the effect on the convicts will surely be very wholesome. It may perhaps be expedient to prescribe a physical ^x standard of height + chest measurement, ~~with~~ as in the case of Reserve and other constables.

11) 3. To supply a dozen magazine rifles in place of the guns now in stock. Whether a dozen is required is a point for consideration.

12) The D.C. has forwarded a copy of the report by Mr. Muktesami Doss, then in charge of the jail wherein several other suggestions are made regarding which the D.C. has made no remarks of his own. These are:—

13) 4) Increase of Rs 1/- to the pay of the wardens of both classes. The present rates are Rs 9/- and Rs 8/-. If a physical standard is fixed the necessity for increasing the pay would be greater as the field for selection would be reduced. Special Reserve Constables get Rs 12, 11, 10 + 9, ac-

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According to their class.

14) 5). To absorb the temporary war establishment in the permanent staff as a separate class on Rs 7p. It is represented that an account of these men the enforcement of discipline is difficult. If these men are employed throughout the year there may not be any heat as to the course suggested being adopted?

15) 6. Rules to regulate the grant of concessions to convict warder guards, a permission to celebrate religious festivals, &c. It is doubtful if any rules for the purpose can be made which may not lead to undesirable consequences of strained feeling between the Supt. & the prisoners. If rules are made it will be setting the official seal of recognition and the prisoners will ask for it as a right. In the interests of discipline it may sometimes be necessary to withhold the grant of the concessions & to enable the Supt. to do so, the grant must be left to his discretion. This will result in the possibility referred to above. On the whole it may be expedient to expressly prohibit the practice, altogether.

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After all the jail is only a house of punishment and presumably the prisoners will not celebrate a festival in a spirit of religious devotion or piety and the celebration may ^{only} amount to indulging in feasting.

16) 7. To employ a ^{retired} soldier as gate keeper instead of a Hindu or Mahomedan warder, the search by either of another person of their rank not being effective. This is a desirable suggestion and if it is carried out the pay of the gatekeeper will have to be raised and a separate post with that designation will have to be created. At present an ordinary warder appears to be employed as gatekeeper.

17) 8. Shooting exercises to Warders.

18) 9. Lines for warders near the jail to enable them to move out promptly in emergencies. This is mainly a question of funds. There are now 60 permanent warders in the B.C. jail.

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and to meet ^{some} bills for ^{the} a family.
large ^{will} be required?

19) 10). Frequent transfers of Superintendents
to be avoided.

20) The entertainment of wardens ^(item 2) ^{is} within
the competence of the D.C. and he may possibly
arrange for shooting exercises (item 8). The rest
require the orders of Govt.

21) The D.C. may be asked to submit definite
proposals separately in such cases as may
meet with approval.

Subd for order.

S *11/15* *all*

22) The Superintendent of the Central Jail
(Mr Mathuram Das) has made some suggestions
for the prevention of troubles in future in the Central
Jail. He is forwarding a copy of the letter, has
made three recommendations:-

1. The existing Executive officers should be
replaced by more efficient men with Com-
manding personality.

2. The men in the Warden establishment
should all be replaced by more trustworthy
men like the Military Prisoners in the Rest ^{Office}.

3. A dozen magazine Rifles should be

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purchase for use in the Jail as the existing muzzle loading guns are useless.

23) In regard to the first point, it is submitted that the existing members are all acting temporarily in their respective places, and the question of appointing capable and suitable men may be considered while making permanent appointments. This question may, if approved, be taken up after final orders are passed on the ~~case~~ report of Messrs Achyuth Rao and Chandy.

24) Some of the wardens have already been retired, and the proposals put forth in regard to the vacancies may be awaited. We can have no objection to appointing a ~~small~~ Reserve Police Constables, if it is possible to give them the pay now paid to the wardens. But the question of compulsory retirement is one that has to be considered on the merits of each individual case. If any of them are guilty of breach of rules, action can be taken against them under the Jail Manual.

25) The third proposal may be accepted in as much as in the British Indian Jail also breech loading smooth bore carbines.

Ans. has
been sent by
the Extraordinary
Inspector
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bayonets are provided for the wardens. It appears also expedient to issue instructions on lines similar to those contained in Rule 86 of the Madras Jail Manual. In the absence of efficient well kept up practice in the use of these arms, the wardens & executive officers will not be able to control or put down riots in the Jail.

26) The question of building lines for the staff and increasing their pay is one of funds and has to be separately dealt with after consulting the Financial Branch when specific details are furnished about the total expenditure likely to be ~~incurred~~ incurred by adopting the proposals.

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27 This may be re-submitted after orders are passed on the report of the Committee in regard - to the assault on Mr. Nanjappa and the irregularities in the Jail. (Prisons File No. 19 of 1915)

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Dated.

When the file reached here the Residence have been informed that the question of imparting instruction in drill & musket to the wardens of the B.E. Jail will receive attention.

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For para 9 of his report Mr. Multani has stated that shooting exercises are necessary.

May proposals in respect of musketry practice be called for? or orders awaited as per para 27?

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31) Order may be awaited as directed in para 27.

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32)

Order for orders. Final orders have this day been issued in P.O. 19-15.

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33) Submitted for favour orders as directed in para 27.

34) Proposals in regard to the filling up of vacancies have been called for in another file.

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by Mr. J. G. G.
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reference in
another con-
nection.

35) In para 102 of the notes in the jail enquiry file (Pris 19-15) the Extraordinary Member of Council has ordered that the suggestions made by the Commission for the better enforcement of discipline should be worked up in this file along with the proposals of the D.G.

36) The suggestions are

I By Mr. P. S. Achyuta Rao.

(a) Punishment to jail officials.

Orders have been passed in this matter.

(b) Degradation of convict officers.

This is within the powers of D. G. and he has in para 92 of the notes in the same file ^{stated} that the will be carried out.

(c) Employment of a person of good physique and ~~known~~ proved honesty as jailor

(d). ^{Em} Employment of an officer ^{ha} to fact, courage and commanding appearance as Superintendent

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The object of appointing
convict-warden is to encourage
good conduct among the prisoners,
the G. R. S. and the
Commissioners of the
prisons.

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(e) Replacing the convict-warden
guard by paid agency, fund
permitting.

The system of convict-
warden guard is in force in
British Indian jails, and an
adequately paid establishment
to do their work would, ^{perhaps} be very
profitable.

II. By Mr K. Chandy.

Hardened criminals to be
kept separately from the
others.

The D. G.'s opinion may
be called for if this suggestion
meets with approval.

37)

A draft letter is put as for oral
instructions. The Prisons have ^x instructions.

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Ans cannot now be supplied owing to the
absence of the D. G.

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39) Draft approved by the Extra-ordinary member

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To the S. G. of Prisons,

No. 4306

3rd May 1916

Requests that arrangements may be made for giving the wardens suitable training in drill and musketry, and that necessary draft addenda may be submitted

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From the S. G. of Prisons. No. 836/111-07 of
10th May '16.

Reports that he has issued instructions to the Superintendents of the Bangalore Central & Mysore jails that the standard height & chest measurements of wardens to be hereafter appointed should be not less than 5 feet 3 inches & 32 inches respectively & that arrangements may be made for giving the wardens suitable training in drill & musketry practice & forwards for approval the necessary draft addenda to the Jail Mail now in force.

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40). Submitted with a draft order according sanction to the draft addenda sent up by the I.G. of Prisons, in response to this Office letter dated 8th May '16. A notification publishing the addenda is also put up for approval or other orders.

41) Two cases have been put up below. (Prisons 14-08 & Prisons 51-12) in re insertion of new rules in the Mysore Jail Manual. ~~Do 1916~~ In Prisons ^{the} 51-12, the case was submitted to His Highness before the new rule then proposed for insertion in the Manual was adopted.

more 15.5.16. 42) It is hardly worth while issuing addenda to the Jail Manual which is undergoing ^{complete} revision. Please advise my accepting I.G.'s recommendation & stating that a provision to that effect be included in the draft Manual. nu 15/5

43) Submitted with a revised draft.

more 15.5.16. ¹⁹¹⁶

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44) A revised typed draft approved
by the Extraordinary member put up.

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To the S. & S. Provisions

No 2 4636

26/27 Dec. 1916

Approves of the instructions in the matter
of fixing a standard of height and chest
measurements for warders etc. issued
by the S. & S. Provisions

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No. 92032.

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To

The Inspector General of Prisons
in Mysore.

Sir,

Date of issue 25. 11. 1915.
Signed by Mr. G. Greenivara Iyer.

Approved in Annual
for
Signature at
and Date
25/11

With reference to your letter No 1890, dated the 22nd November 1915, I am directed to state that the condition of matters in the Central Jail referred to in paragraph 1 of the letter, if true, reveals a serious situation and seems to call for immediate measures to prevent any troubles or gross irregularities in future.

2. It is for you to consider whether any action is necessary at present under all or any of the following provisions of the Jail Manual as far as necessary and possible:-

- (i) Section 608.- Transfer of selected prisoners to the Mysore Jail
- (ii) Sections 565 and 570.- The fettering and bad characters.
- (iii) Section 371.- Discrimination in the distribution of tools among prisoners.
- (iv) Sections 301 and 310.- Separate confinement.

3. The Inspector General of Police may also be consulted by you, if necessary, with a view to secure such other measures as may be required to deal

effectively with the situation

4. A full report of the action taken may kindly be sent up in three days for the information of Government.

I have &c.,

Secretary to Government.

Memo. No. 92033. D 25th Nov 1915.
Encl. one.

Cop to the D.G. & Secy. Confidential.

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OFFICE OF THE INSPTR.-GENL. OF PRISONS IN MYSORE,

No.

1918
111-07

DATED BANGALORE, 26th November 1915 .

FROM

Rao Bahadur Rajakaryapravina

T.V. Arumugum Mudaliar, Esquire, M.B., C.M.,

Inspector-General of Prisons in Mysore,

Bangalore.

TO

V.R. Thyagaraja Iyer, Esquire, M.A.,

Secy. to the Govt. of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,

General and Revenue Department

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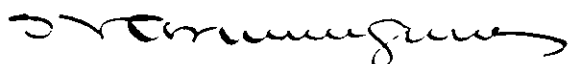
SIR.

With reference to your No. J. 2032/Pris. 35-15-3 dated the 25th instant and in continuation of my letter No. 1890/111-07 of the 22nd idem, I have the honor to report that two of the lifers in the Central Jail, Bangalore, viz, Nos. 7259 Siddalinga and 3395 Ramasamy who have been troublesome, have since been confined in cells with heavy fetters. The other lifers are quiet and orderly and there seems to be no cause for anxiety.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,



Inspector-General of Prisons.



From

The Inspector-General
of Prisons in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments.

Dated *26th November 1911.*Despatched *do*

Received

General No. *1918*No. *111-04*

Enclosure No.

Subject

*Reports on the behaviour
of lifers in the Central
jail, Bangalore*

SUBJECT.....

Diary No. of letter replied to.....

Section *hi*
File No. *35-15*
Serial No. *8*

General and Revenue Secretariat

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No. *g 2070.*

Date of issue *30 / 11 / 1915.*

To *The D.C. of Prisons.*

Signed by *Mr. G. Greenirasa Iyer*

Sir.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter no 1918/III of 26th instant and to state that for the alarming nature of the report made by the Superintendent of the B. C. jail (vide para. 1 of your letter no 1890/III-07 of 22nd inst) Govt. consider that more permanent ^{and} arrangements for prevention in future are necessary

over.

*Patn.
under do post,*

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and will be glad to have a
full report in the matter at an
early date.

I have &c
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Office of the Inspector-General of
Prisons in Mysore.

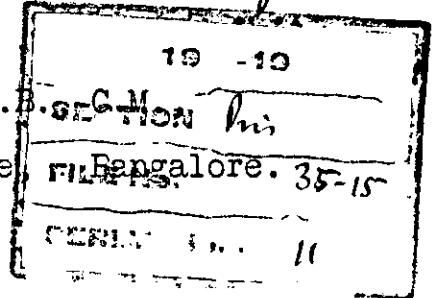
Dated, Bangalore, 9th December 1915.

DIARY No. *f* 1584

From Rao Bahadur Rajakarya Pravina

T. V. Arumugum Mudaliar, Esquire, M.B.

Inspector-General of Prisons in Mysore, Bangalore. 35-15



To

V.R. Thyagaraja Iyer, Esquire, M.A.,

Secretary to the Government of H H the Maharaja of Mysore,
Revenue Department, Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. J. 2070/Pris. 35-15-8 dated the 30th November 1915, stating that, from the alarming -- nature of the report made by the Superintendent of the Bangalore Central Jail, Government consider that more permanent arrangements for preventing troubles in future are necessary and requesting to send up a full report in the matter, I have the honor to report as under:-

1. The executive officers of a Jail ought to be men of commanding personality in addition to possessing a good record of service. The present Acting Jailor, the Deputy Jailor and the Chief Warder are good men, but are physically incapable of controlling the prisoners and enforcing discipline. They ought to be replaced by more physically efficient men as soon as possible.
- ii. The Warder Establishment is composed of a number of very unreliable men who are not able to maintain discipline among prisoners. Some of the members of this staff have completed their service and those that have been given extension of service will be retired even before the expiry of the period of extension granted to them. Almost every one of this establishment ought to be replaced by

men who have had good training and who will be able to maintain discipline among the prisoners. To fill the places of warders, I cannot think of a better class of men than Military pensioners serving as Reserve Police constables in the local police corps. These men have had very good training and will be able to enforce discipline.

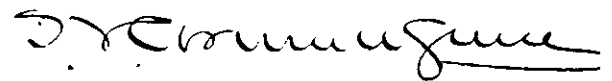
iii. There are 50 muzzle loading guns in the Bangalore Central Jail and scarcely any member of the warder establishment is able to handle a gun. These old fashioned guns ought to be replaced by a dozen magazine rifles.

2. I have enclosed herein a copy of letter No. 734/F.81 dated 7th December 1915 received from the Offg. Superintendent, Bangalore Central Jail, in the matter.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,



Inspector-General of Prisons.

Letter No. 734/F.81 dated the 7th December 1915 from the Offg. Superintendent, Central Jail, Bangalore, to the Inspector-General of Prisons in Mysore.

With reference to your memo No. 1948/111-07 dated the -- 2nd December 1915, forwarding Chief Secretary's No. J.2070 dated the 30th November 1915, calling for a proposal for permanent arrangement for preventing recoules in future in this Jail, I have the honor to report as follows:-

2. I took charge of the Jail on the 13th September 1915 at a time when the feeling of a certain class of prisoners was in high tension against the late Superintendent and when the relative feeling between him and the late Jailor Mr. Tate was anything but satisfactory. As far as my information goes Chief Jailor ~~Mr.~~ Tate as an executive Officer residing in the premises had encouraged certain convict warder Guards and prisoners to have access to his quarters as frequently as they liked in spite of the guard at the gate who were quite helpless because of the Jailor. This liberty gave them facilities to enlist the sympathy of the Jailor who in his turn -- left many crimes though reported to him, it is said, were either not recorded or connived at; this theft, gambling extroⁿ and unnatural offences were rife and no steps were taken to put them down.

3. The warder establishment is, ^amost untrustworthy corps. The men composing it are drawn from different classes and are poorly paid and to meet the extra wants resort to unprincipled means. The prisoners are helped to prohibited articles to get money from relatives in their names large share going to the warders and only a fraction given to the prisoners wherewith to bring prohibited -- articles, which they themselves would smuggle in and encouraged to steal rations, yarn thread and vegetables for them to be taken -- home at an appointed time and place. Being under ~~the~~ obligation to the prisoners for these small gains, they could not notice any crime committed by them and the higher authorities could not possibly --

know

know what was going on unless such were brought to their notice. Further the establishment being manned by the Departmental men - themselves and being accustomed to the same routine work and environs, do not see things in their ^{true} light as an outsider would do. These men from long association with them have become immune against keen perception or quickness of action. They look at crimes however serious with a shallow eye and allow them to glide over - such indifference has encouraged the prisoners to meet with impunity and conspire to do any mischief against Jail administration and discipline. The convict Maistries and Overseers have immediate touch with the prisoners both at the work shop and the barracks - and being themselves prisoners get whatever they want through the convict warder guards, who on account of greater liberty given to them to move about in the Jail and being in charge of the barracks during the nights have facilities to act as the media of communication and transport between the prisoners and paid warders and thus they have become very unreliable; and when ^{crimes} are committed, all or such as are concerned in it deny wholesale any knowledge of the occurrence and it is such a difficult thing to trace any crime to the real party.

4. Under such conditions and surrounded by such unreliable set of men, I entered upon the onerous and responsible duty -- and within a few days I was in a position to tackle the situation and put down all crimes and irregularities. I have so far within the course of 2 months and a half been able to detect cases of -- theft of ration articles, yarn thread, gambling, unnatural offence and as an off shoot of the last offence a serious affray with dangerous weapon. In all these cases, the offenders have been punished departmentally and criminal complaints have been lodged in the Civil Magistrate's Court for offences requiring enhanced punishments. Rigorous action is being taken to prevent introduction of prohibited articles punishing offenders with dismissal, suspension and fine - in case of paid warders and with corporal and other punishments consistent with the Jail Regulations, in the case of prisoners.

5. Searching of prisoners is now systematically done and all the convict officials, prisoners severely warned against -- breach of discipline. All the troublesome men have been put in heavy chains and kept in separate confinements, others inclined to be mischievous are being carefully watched.

6. The prisoners until recently have had the chances of ^{ur}assaulting the Jail authorities at the weekly inspection file. -- These were being inspected in the compound of individual barracks and here they had chances to secret lethal weapons in the latrine, workshops and on other persons. This practice has been stopped and in its place a semi-military arrangement has been made. Under this arrangement the prisoners are searched by the respective barracks' overseers and maistries and are mustered in the compound of the -- barracks. This done ^{are} they led out through the gate undergoing another search by paid warders. They are then marched past and made to stand in the file between two rows of armed paid and convict warder guards previously arranged (Vide plan of arrangement attached hereto). When they are ready, the maistries and workoverseers have taken their allotted places, inspection begins, which enquires into the health and grievances of individual prisoner. This done, they are - marched back into their own barracks and then another gang is turned out and treated likewise. This arrangement has had a salutary effect already and even the idea of an assault upon the Jail authorities has vanished. The prisoners have now realized that if they attempted - anything of the kind, they would be shot down though not practically but the arrangement conveys an idea of such a punishment being meted to them. Practically every thing is quite and calm at present and - there is no cause for anxiety.

7. The prisoners are well fed, grievances heard and redressed whenever represented, the law abiding, obedient and hard working rewarded and offenders punished. Having so far described the state of the Jail as it was and as it ^{is} now, I ~~can~~ venture to make the following proposals:-

(1) The present Jailor Mr. Narasimiah who was all his time connected with the Jail as a ^{Compable} ministerial officer is a failure as an

executive officer. A strong man with a commanding personality, one whose approach must be awe-inspiring, is what the position of a Jailor requires.

(2) The tower officer must also be strong and physically fit. The present officer Mr. Shama Rao who was also a ministerial official all his time has been pitch-forked into an executive -- officer. He has many duties which bring him into immediate touch with the prisoners; but their character alienates all approach to them or to be plain, he is timid to move in their midst. His assistants must likewise be strong and physically fit. The two present assistants are old and one of them has passed 60 years of age and has been given extension up to end of June 1916 and the other completes his 58th year in next July. The further extension of the latter is prejudicial to the Department as one having a large number of relatives in the service as warders, connives at many crimes actually taking place before his own eyes. He is -- making the best use of the extension period confirmably to the saying "make hay whilst the sun shineth". This may sound vague and queer- but is a fact which is impossible of proving. He must be retired at once and a strong Police Officer of the grade of a Jamadar appointed in his place. The other man may be retired in the usual course.

(3) Since every other department has the scale of pay of its officials revised, there is a cry among the Jail Officials for improvement of their pay. There are two grades of warders, 1st and 2nd - the former getting Rs 9/- and the latter Rs 8/-. I propose an increase of one rupee to each of the grades.

(4) There are 24 temporary warders and these must be absorbed into the permanent cadre these being graded as 3rd grade warders - on Rs 8/- the present pay being Rs 7/-. It is these men that play into the hands of the prisoners and spoil discipline. They make the best use of ~~the~~ their appointment temporary as it is, to profit themselves illegally of course at the cost of Government and prisoners. Contingent warders employed on special occasions such as for guarding condemned prisoners must however be retained.

(5) Convict warder guards are to be given certain privileges. In the absence of definite orders, many an unpleasantness arises between ~~and~~ the Superintendent and the prisoners, as the showing of the concessions on certain special occasions depends upon the temperment of the Superintendent. On occasion of feast, Hindu, Mahamadan or Christian, the convict warder guards want to have a good feed and perform pujas, the cost thereof being met from their earnings. Some Superintendents to mention Dr. Achyuta Rao was allowing Mahamadans as they say to celebrate the Bakrid, Hindus Dasara and Christians Christmas. His successor Dr. Palpu extended the same concession, but Dr. Nanjappa, as the prisoners say, denied the concession to all alike. This is one of the ~~ca~~uses for his unpopularity.

(6) Another concession that these men want is that if any of their co-religionists die in Jail, they should be allowed to go out and give the deceased a decent burial according to their communal customs. As in the above case this concession depends upon the temperment of the Superintendent - some allow this but others do not. Such occasional permits to go out of the Jail -- creates in them a sense of duty, responsibility and trust. It is prayed that definite orders for the guidance of Superintendents - may be passed.

(7) The Hindu and Mahamadan gate keepers are no good in the matter of searching warders and prisoners or in regulating ingress and egress at the gate. They search the prisoners and strangers alright but when the person to be searched is their own man, this duty is done most superficially or not at all. A warder resents being searched by another warder and to avoid unpleasantness they are allowed ingress and egress without any search whatsoever.

(8) I would recommend the appointment of a retired -- soldier for the post of a gate keeper - he residing in the lower flat of the Chief Jailor's quarters. As a soldier, he knows what discipline is and would do his duty in a military spirit without fear or favour. The presence of such a man at the main gate would

be awe-inspiring and many of the articles that find ~~in~~ inlet or outlet would, I dare say, be greatly minimized and eventually stopped.

(9) The warders are provided as they are with guns - many do not know how to use them. It is therefore very desirable that they should be given some shooting exercises at some shooting -- range periodically once in a fortnight or a month.

(10) The old 50 guns are of no use. Being muzzle loaders, - they are of out of date. Loading them for any action is a slow - and tedious method and in a place where one has to deal with desperate characters, the guards would be overpowered by the time -- they load their guns and be ready to fire. These must therefore be replaced by modern rifles.

(11) The number of warders on actual duty is about half - on any day i.e, the warders come on duty by turns - a warder -- coming on duty on any one day is off duty the following day. To meet the responsibility of any organized rioting, the men available to meet the situation would be quite inadequate. It is therefore ~~quite~~ very desirable that there should be men available near at hand, who could muster strong at a given alarm. Lines have to be built for them near the Jail as early as possible.

(12) Last, and though not the least important matter is the moral effect, it has, upon the prisoners in changing the Superintendents too very often. A Jail is something like a nursery -- where one has to study and identify offending weeds among the -- healthy plants. There are here perennial and annual plants the -- former are represented by the lifers and long termers and the latter the short termers. There is not much difficulty in dealing with the latter classes as they come and go, but it is with the former class the difficulty begins. As one begins to know them and their susceptibilities or propensities and they in turn begin to know - the Superintendent the latter is transferred and the new man has to begin this study afresh. Taking advantage of the weakness inherent in some Superintendents, they dupe him and frighten him - and at this stage ^{he} if is transferred, it creates an impression in

them that he left the place out of fear.

(13) The long termers are very sharp in noticing the-- difference in the treatment they get at the hands of different Superintendents. If the latter happens to be a stiff master and the staff under him collide them with them, the troubles of the recent date begins.

(14) I most respectfully venture to state as my humble opinion that the frequent changes in the Superintendents are not conducive to good administration and discipline of the Jail.

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S. J. Chinnu Jones

W. S. Inspector-General of Prisons.

8-12-1915.

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From

The Inspector-General of
Prisons in Mysore.

To

The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

*Prisons
10/12/15*

Dated, *9th* December 1915.

No. *1982*
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Submits proposals to prevent --
troubles, in future, in the B.C. Jail

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File No. 35-15
Serial No. 45

Diary No. of letter replied to

No. 74306

General and Revenue Secretariat

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To

The D.G. of Prisons

Sir

Date of issue 3. 5. 1916

Adverting to correspondence

Signed by Mr. C. Sreenivasan Iyer

and in reply to your letter no 1982/
111-07 of 9th Dec 1915. I am directed
to state that your views regarding
the recruitment of the executive
officers of the jails and the
warden establishment meet
with the ^{general} approval of Govt.,
and to suggest the desirability of
fixing a standard of height and
chest measurement for wardens to
over.

SUBJECT.

be appointed hereafter as it
obtains in the Police and Military
Deposits.

2. As regards the supply of
magazine rifles I am to say
that such weapons are not
considered to be suitable to the
end in view viz the speedy
suppression of a riot or an
outbreak where the object is
only to injure and not to kill
or seriously wound persons.

The Honble the British Resident
in Mysore has ^{therefore} been requested to
arrange for the supply of
Smooth bore breech loading carbines
on the scale allowed to British
Indian Jails of similar strength
as the B.C. jail. In your letter

no 1890/III-07 of 22nd Nov 1915 it
is stated that only five wards
know how to use firearms
out consider that a
number of men should

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be trained to handle the
weapons that may be
supplied. I am to request
that arrangements be
made for giving the
warders suitable training
in drill and ~~to~~ musketry
practice.

3. The necessary ^{draft} ad-
denda to the Jail Manual
may be sent for the ap-
proval of Govt in due
course -

Ans
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No. 836 601
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OFFICE OF THE INSPR.-GEN. OF PRISONS
IN MYSORE,

Dated Bangalore, 10th May 1916

FROM Rao Bahadur Rajakaryapravina

T.V.Arumugur Mudaliar, Esquire, M.B., C.M.,

Inspector-General of Prisons

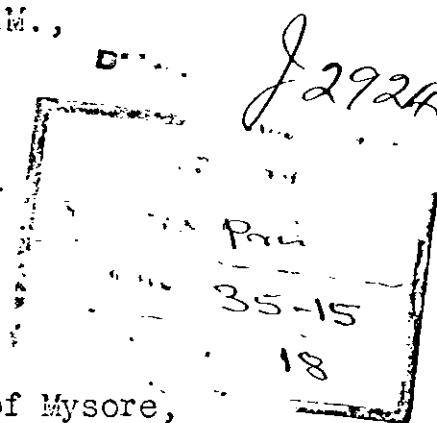
in Mysore, Bangalore.

To

V.R.Thyagaraja Iyer, Esquire, M.A.,

Secretary to the Govt of H H the Maharaja of Mysore,

Revenue Department.



Sir,

Adverting to your letter No. J.4306/Pris 35-15-17 dated the 3rd May 1916, I have the honor to report that I have issued instructions to the Superintendent's of Bangalore Central and Mysore Jails that the standard height and chest measurements of warders to be - hereafter appointed in the Jails should be fixed to be not less than 5 feet 3 inches and 32 inches respectively, but these measurements may if possible, be surpassed and that arrangements may also be made for giving the warders suitable training in drill and musketry practice.

2. Provision has been made for this contingency in the revised Mysore Jail Manual which is pending final approval of Government. Vide Sections 286 and 294 - Chapter XIV.

3. The necessary draft addenda to the Jail Manual now in force is submitted herewith for favour of approval of Government.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Inspector-General of Prisons.

It is being
assured to
in the following
short periods.

From

The Insp.- Gen. of Prisons

in Mysore, Bangalore.

To

The Secy to Govt
Rev Dept

Dated *10th May 1916*

Despatched *do*

Received

General No. *836*
No. *111-07*

Enclosure No. *One*

*Forwards, for approval,
draft addenda to the
Mysore jail Manual
in force, prescribing
the physical Capacity
of Candidates for
enlistment in the
Warder Establishment.*

Addenda to the Mysore Jail Manual.

Rule:- 315.

----- No man shall be entertained on the Warder Establishment without ~~having~~ ^{being} examined by the Medical Officer as to his physical and mental fitness. The minimum height for candidates for enlistment in the Warder Establishment shall be 5 feet 3 inches - and the minimum girth of chest 32 inches, but these measurements should if possible, be surpassed. As a rule no warder shall be - promoted to be Head Warder unless he satisfies the Superintendent that he possesses a fair knowledge of drill with ability to put a squad through the manual, firing and bayonet exercises, and unless he is able to read and write one vernacular.

S. M. M. M. M. M.

Inspector-General of Prisons.

9-5-1916.

RULES RE: RECRUITMENT OF WARDERS ON JAIL ESTABLISHMENTS.

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Correspondence ending with letter

No. 836/111-07 dated 10th May 1916 from

Date of issue 26.5.1916
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Inspector-General of Prisons in Mysore,

Signed by Mr. G. Sreenivasaya

reporting, with reference to this office

~~ORDER THEREON.~~ No.

letter No. J.4306/Pris.35-15-7 dated 3rd

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May 1916, that he has issued instruction

to the Superintendent of the Bangalore -

Central and Mysore Jails that the standards

height and chest measurements of warders

over.

SUBJECT.

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to be hereafter appointed in the jails -
should be fixed to be not less than 5 feet
3 inches and 33 inches respectively and -
that arrangements might also be made for
giving the warders suitable training in -
drill and musketry practice, and that the
needful provision has been included in the
revised Jail Manual submitted to Government
and submitting for the approval of Govern-
ment the necessary draft addenda to the Jail
Manual now in force.

Order:- No. 74636 dated 26.5.1916.

Government are pleased to approve of
the instructions in the matter of fixing a
standard of height and chest measurements
for warders and giving them suitable train-
ing in drill and musketry practice, issued
by the Inspector-General of Prisons, except
as regards their height which should be not
less than 5'-5".

The addition proposed to the Jail
Manual now in force seems unnecessary as it
will be superseded shortly by the revised
Jail Manual.

Secretary to Govt.,
Rev. Deptt.

The I.G. of Prisons in Mysore

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24/5/16

Done
26.5.16